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SUBJECT: MEETING OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SOUTH PACIFIC

1. PERMANENT COMMITTEE MET IN SANTIAGO JANUARY 5-9, WITH OBSERVERS FROM BOLIVIA, PANAMA, GUATEMALA AND HAITI, IN ADDITION TO CHILEAN, PERUVIAN AND ECUADORAN REPRESENTATIVES. SENIOR FON MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVE AT MEETING TOLD EMBOFF THAT MEETING HAD HAD LITTLE IMPORTANCE, SINCE THE PRINCIPAL REASON FOR COMMITTEE'S EXISTENCE -- THE THREE COUNTRIES' HISTORIC POSITION ON 200-MIL LIMIT -- HAD BEEN LARGELY OVERTAKEN BY LOS WORLD NEGOTIATIONS UNDER UN AUSPICES.

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2. FON MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID COMMITTEE REAFFIRMED POLICY ON 200-MILE LIMITE, AND THREE COUNTRIES' GENERAL SUPPORT FOR LOS SINGLE NEGOTIATING TEXT. THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CHILE ON ONE SIDE AND PERU AND ECUADOR ON THE OTHER AS CONCERNS LEGAL STATUS OF 200-MILE SEA OF COURSE REMAINED.

3. IN ADDITION TO LOS ASPECT, THE COUTNRIES REAFFIRMED THEIR INTEREST IN NUCLEAR-FREE ZONE IN SOUTH PACIFIC. FON MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID, HOWEVER, THIS WAS BASICALLY RHETORIC, SINCE PREVIOUS NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN PRINCIPAL PROPONENT OF IDEA, GREAT POWERS HAD SHOWN LITTLE INTEREST IN IT, AND THE THREE COUNTRIES WOULD NOT PROCEED ON THEIR OWN.

4. THERE WAS DIFFERENCE AMONG THE THREE MEMBERS ON THEIR DESIRES FOR FUTURE OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE. CHILE FAVORED MEMBERSHIP FOR COLOMBIA, SINCE COLOMBIAN LOS POSITIONIS CLOSER TO CHILE'S; PERU AND ECUADOR WERE AGAINST COLOMBIAN MEMBERSHIP FOR SAME REASON. THERE WAS A GENERAL BELIEF THAT THE COMMITTEE MIGHT BEST BE ABSORBED EVENTUALLY INTO A MUCH BROADER REGIONAL TUNA ORGANIZATION.

THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 1977 IN SANTIAGO.  
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